

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 754, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011.

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 16, 2011.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 41 public bills, H.R. 1891–1931; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 63–64; and H. Res. 268 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bishop (UT) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Monsignor Stephen Rossetti, Associate Professor, The Catholic University of America, Washington DC.

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Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011: The House passed H.R. 754, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2011 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, by a recorded vote of 392 ayes to 15 nays, Roll No. 329. Consideration of the measure began yesterday, May 12th.

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Rejected the Nadler motion to recommit the bill to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded

vote of 182 ayes to 228 noes with 1 voting “present”, Roll No. 328.

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Agreed to:

Rogers (MI) amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 112–75) that was debated on May 12th that clarifies that section 411 of the bill, which provides certain authorities for Defense Intelligence Agency Expenditures, applies only to National Intelligence Program funds. Also strikes section 412 of the reported bill, providing for the establishment of certain transfer accounts for intelligence funds (by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 174 noes, Roll No. 323);

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Gibson amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 112–75) that was debated on May 12th that requires the Director of National Intelligence to submit to Congress a report containing recommendations the Director considers appropriate for consolidating the intelligence community (by a recorded vote of 278 ayes to 123 noes, Roll No. 324);

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Carney amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 112–75) that was debated on May 12th that establishes the sense of Congress that railway transportation should be included in transportation security plans for intelligence agencies (by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 189 noes, Roll No. 326); and

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Reed amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 112–75) that commends the United States intelligence community for their successful operation in

bringing Osama bin Laden to justice and their continued efforts against al Qaeda (by a recorded vote of 406 ayes with none voting “no” and 4 voting “present”, Roll No. 327). **Pages H3285–88, H3291**

Rejected:

Hinchev amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 112–75) that was debated on May 12th that sought to require the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) to report to the House and Senate Intelligence panels on information it has regarding the human rights violations of the military government in Argentina that resulted in 30,000 disappearances between the mid-1970’s and mid-1980’s. The amendment also sought to help shed light on the unknown fate of hundreds of Argentine children who were born in captivity and distributed to members of the Argentine security forces (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 214 noes, Roll No. 325). **Pages H3289–90**

Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House. **Page H3294**

H. Res. 264, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, May 12th.

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of all law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2:18 p.m. **Page H3299**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3294.

Senate Referral: S. 498 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Seven recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3288, H3288–89, H3289–90, H3290, H3291, H3293 and H3293–94. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and at 2:19 p.m., pursuant to H. Con. Res. 50, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, May 23, 2011.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a markup on the Homeland Security appropriations bill for FY 2012. The bill was forwarded, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related

Agencies held a markup on the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies appropriations bill for FY 2012. The bill was forwarded, as amended.

COSTS OF FEDERAL OVERREACH INTO SCHOOL MEALS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing on Examining the Costs of Federal Overreach into School Meals. Testimony was heard from Sally Spero, Food Planning Supervisor, San Diego Unified School District; Karen Castaneda, Director of Food Service, Pennridge School District; and public witnesses.

FCC PROCESS REFORM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a hearing on FCC Process Reform. Testimony was heard from the following Federal Communications Commission officials: Julius Genachowski, Chairman; Michael J. Copps, Commissioner; Robert M. McDowell, Commissioner; and Mignon Clyburn, Commissioner.

AMERICAN ENERGY INITIATIVE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on The American Energy Initiative and legislation regarding the Jobs and Energy Permitting Act of 2011. Testimony was heard from Gina McCarthy, Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, EPA; Brian T. Turner, Assistant Executive Officer for Federal Climate Policy, California Air Resources Board, Ali Mirzakhali, Director, Division of Air Quality, Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control; and public witnesses.

STANFORD PONZI SCHEME

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on the Stanford Ponzi Scheme: Lessons for Protecting Investors from the Next Securities Fraud. Testimony was heard from the following Securities and Exchange Commission officials: H. David Kotz, Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General; Robert Khuzami, Director, Division of Enforcement; Carlo di Florio, Director, Office of Compliance Inspections and Examinations; and Richard Ketchum, Chief Executive Officer, Julie Preuit, Assistant Regional Director, Fort Worth Regional Office; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee continued markup on the following legislation: H.R. 1309, the Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2011;